

## Zoning Commission

April 14<sup>th</sup>

2010

### ATTENDING:

Larry Schrader  
Dave Duma  
Janelle Albertoni  
Bill Arnold

Jeff Childers  
Jim Albertoni  
Jim Demboski  
David Vartenuk (Voting Alternate)

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Mr. Schrader called the meeting to order with a roll call from the secretary and the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance by all those in attendance at 7:08 p.m.

Mr. Schrader asked the commission to take a look at the minutes from the March 10<sup>th</sup> meeting; the secretary asked the commission to omit the voting alternates listed on their copies of the prepared minutes.

Mr. Duma made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Mr. Arnold. All of the members voted in favor of the motion.

Mr. Schrader wanted to start with an update from last month's meeting concerning the newest revisions to the zoning resolution. Mr. Meduri suggested that we hold a hearing.

Mr. Duma asked if there is anything we can do to curb and possibly avoid the "Spin to Win" businesses from coming into the community.

Mr. Arnold said Springfield has 11 ½ of these businesses operating. They have a moratorium on them there; they are proposing a \$2,000.00 permit fee and an additional cost of \$200.00 per machine per month. Only Portage County can do this for us. The problem with the permit fees is that it has to be equal for everyone.

Mr. Albertoni stated that the current version of the Zoning Resolution does not address this type of venture, so he tells all inquiries that Suffield does not allow this type of business. Mr. Duma asked how we would get them out if it just popped up or is there anything to keep them out in the first place? Mr. Albertoni said he asks for a business plan when anyone comes in with a vague request.

Mr. Arnold said there are a slew of problems and police reports on these businesses, robberies and police reports included. The attorney general's office is behind in their ability to keep up with the lawyers hired by the "Spin to Win" businesses. The machines are inspected initially for internet capability, but not again unless a complaint is received.

Mr. Mishler asked if it would be possible to add this type of business to the school and cemetery provision. That could take care of most of the business areas.

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Mr. Albertoni received a call about the bait store located behind the anchor. Mr. Albertoni asked the inquirer to provide a receipt or tax return dated to show activity in the last two (2) years.

Mr. Schrader asked for a Rufener sand and gravel update. Mr. Albertoni said a new hearing is scheduled for May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 AM, the next step after that is appeals court. Alvin Rufener went to the trustee meeting the night before to request the two (2) sides come together to work out their differences. But on the other side he wants to sue over his crossing the line and zoning shutting him down hurting his business financially. Mr. Schrader said we cannot set a precedent for him because it will negate our Zoning Resolution in the future. Mr. Schrader then asked if the restraining order is still in effect. Mr. Albertoni stated it is in effect, he can only operate in the industrial area.

Mr. Schrader asked for any further business.

Mr. Demboski mentioned the planning stage of the possible dog park going in at Wingfoot.

Mr. Schrader pointed out the next meeting will be at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday the 12<sup>th</sup> of May 2010. He then asked the secretary to submit the revisions to Portage County Regional Planning so we can tentatively schedule a hearing for June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mrs. Albertoni, and seconded by Mr. Vartenuk. All of the commission members voted in favor of the motion to adjourn at 8:15 P.M.

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Larry Schrader - Chairman

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Adam Bey – Zoning Com. Sec.

A motion was made by Mr. Yeargin to accept these minutes as prepared at the Zoning Commission meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> of May 2010. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Albertoni, all of the commission members voted in favor of the motion.